

E-002/GR-89-865 EXTENDING TIME FOR FILING EXCEPTIONS TO PORTIONS OF ALJ'S
REPORT

BEFORE THE MINNESOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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In the Matter of the Application of Northern
States Power Company for Authority to
Increase its Rates for Electric Service in the
State of Minnesota

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ORDER EXTENDING TIME FOR FILING
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PROCEDURAL HISTORY

On July 13, 1990, the Commission issued an Order in this case requiring all exceptions to Part I of the Administrative Law Judge's (ALJ's) Report to be filed on or before July 23, 1990. The same Order established dates for oral argument on Parts I and II of the Report.

On July 19, 1990, the ALJ filed Part II of his report. Part II contained further analysis on the following issues discussed in Part I: Conservation and Demand Side Management, the Motion to Dismiss brought by the Department of Public Service and the Residential Utilities Division of the Office of the Attorney General, the Adjustments to Rate Base Proposed by the Department of Public Service, Plant and Construction Work in Progress, and Operating Expenses.

The Department of Public Service requested an extension of time to file exceptions relating to the above issues. No one opposed such an extension.

FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS

The Commission finds that requiring exceptions on the issues discussed in both parts of the ALJ's Report to be filed with exceptions to Part I would work a hardship on the parties and would deprive the Commission of the benefit of the parties' full analyses of these issues. The Commission will therefore extend the time for filing exceptions on these issues until July 26, 1990.

Oral argument on the issues listed above, discussed in both parts of the ALJ's Report, will be held

on Monday, July 30, 1990.

ORDER

1. Exceptions to the ALJ's Report on the following issues will be due on or before July 26, 1990: Conservation and Demand Side Management, the Motion to Dismiss brought by the Department of Public Service and the Residential Utilities Division of the Office of the Attorney General, the Adjustments to Rate Base Proposed by the Department of Public Service, Plant and Construction Work in Progress, and Operating Expenses.
2. The issues listed above will be argued at the oral argument scheduled for Monday, July 30, 1990.
3. This Order shall become effective immediately.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

Richard R. Lancaster
Executive Secretary

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